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C O N F I D E N T I A L LAHORE 0488

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINT, PK
SUBJECT: ARMY SHOOTS DEMONSTRATORS

REF: LAHORE 0486

1. ARMY OPENED FIRE ON PNA DEMONSTRATORS IN LAHORE MAY 6,

REPORTEDLY KILLING FOUR PERSONS AND WOUNDING SIXTEEN OTHERS.
WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT LEWIS SIMONS, WHO WITNESSED
SOME OF THE SHOOTING, INFORMED CONGEN THAT STUDENTS TOOK
OUT A PROCESSION IN DEFIANCE OF MARTIAL LAW FROM NILA
GUMBAT MOSQUE ABOUT 3:00 P.M. AND MARCHED FOR NEARLY HALF
AN HOUR AROUND ANARKALI BAZAAR IN MAIN DOWNTOWN SHOPPING
AREA. AFTER DODGING ARMY ROADBLOCKS AT SEVERAL POINTS,
MARCHERS ATTEMPTED TO COME OUT OF ANARKALI AND ENTER NEARBY
CIRCULAR ROAD. ABOUT A DOZEN SOLDIERS TOOK UP FIRING POSITIONS
AND ORDERED CROWD, WHICH HAD SWELLED TO ABOUT 2,000 INCLUDING
VARIOUS STREET ELEMENTS, TO HALT. MAIN BODY HELD BACK,
BUT TWENTY OR THIRTY STUDENTS BEGAN TO EDGE FORWARD. TROOPS
OPENED FIRE SUDDENLY, KILLING TWO OUTRIGHT AND WOUNDING
ELEVEN OTHERS. SIMONS SAW THE TWO GET KILLED AND IS CERTAIN
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AT LEAST ONE OTHER WAS FATALLY WOUNDED.

2. IN SECOND SHOOTING INCIDENT, STILL UNCONFIRMED, ARMY
OPENED FIRE ON ANOTHER GROUP OF PNA DEMONSTRATORS WHO CAME
OUT OF MUSLIM MOSQUE, NOT FAR FROM PLACE WHERE ABOVE STUDENTS
WERE KILLED. ACCORDING TO LATEST REPORTS, TWO WERE SHOT
DEAD AND FIVE WOUNDED.

3. CURFEW, WHICH WAS LIFTED FROM 1:30 P.M. TO 3:30 P.M.
TO ALLOW FOR FRIDAY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS, HAS BEEN
REIMPOSED FOR AN INDETERMINATE PERIOD.
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